



Quarterly Report to Members

So what is the news from the Partnership in the last three months? Are there signs of life?

Youth Project goes live!



Just after Easter Becca and Chesley (above) started detached youth work on Tuesday and Friday evenings on the streets in Prudhoe and all is going well. Prudhoe Youth Project only held its first meeting last November so this is great progress and is thanks to funding from Prudhoe Town Council and a contract with Children North East for whom B&C work.

But it is only the first step. PYP is looking at other projects and seeking other funding with a view to growing into a fully fledged youth project in the medium term. The Partnership 'hosts' PYP until it is registered as a charity.

Future of the town centre

The joint working party with Prudhoe Town Council proceeds apace and has held meetings with Northumberland Estates and other property owners. It has consulted shop keepers and held an informal meeting to which all were invited at Ginevras in June.

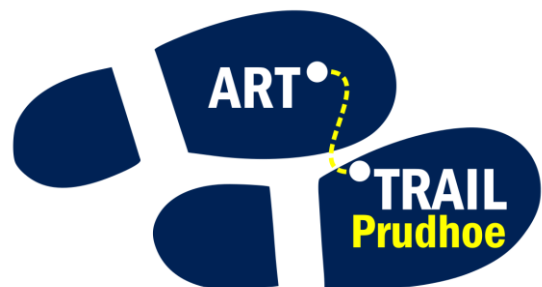
There is an ambitious plan for Front Street to help it change with the times over the next ten years. This will require resources and opportunities still to be identified. The next event is a vision for 'Front Street 2030' at the AGM.



Annual General Meeting

Will be held on Tuesday 16th July at 7pm. Members and friends are warmly welcome. Get there early for a good seat. After the formal business, town planning guru Alan Wann will give us a vision of what Front Street might look like in 2030. So come along and hear his ideas and make your points. Refreshments after to keep the conversation flowing.

Art Trail going live !



On Saturday 13th July and all the following week. Turn over for details/.....

The Partnership has organised Prudhoe's first ever art trail in partnership with Paul Stangroom Fine Art. Shops all along Front Street will host an artist whose work will be on display for sale in their shop.



There are two evening events when artists will talk about their work: with Matthew Ellwood on Wed 17th at Ginevras and with Lena Holford at Elizabeth Evans on Fri 19th. There are guided trail walks each day and special walks for older people too. Publicity will be hitting Front Street next week and more details are on the website at prudhoe.org/projects/prudhoe-art-trail/

The idea is to promote Prudhoe as a culturally alive town where events happen which will bring visitors and residents into the town centre and support local shops. The Art Trail has funding from Great Northumberland and Karbon Homes.

Prudhoe.org goes live!

We have a new website thanks to much hard work from Peter Surrudge of Ridgetek. It keeps us up to date on the web and hopefully presents Prudhoe and the Partnership in an informative and attractive way. Check it out.

Two short videos about Spetchells Centre and about the town will be uploaded soon.

Spetchells centre shines!

After 7 years, it is time to paint the house, er, white and purple again. We want to keep Spetchells Centre 'as new' so it is currently having a new coat of paint on the outside. The meeting rooms and interviews rooms have all been repainted too.

Volunteering

Because there were so many people offering to volunteer in the town survey last year, we are planning a meeting in the autumn to ask local groups how they recruit volunteers and look after them. Watch for more details or talk to Margaret Boonstra or Caroline Warburton, who are leading this initiative.

Life goes on

Just space for a final reminder to come along to the Annual General Meeting on July 16th and to thank the wonderful staff at Spetchells and the amazing trustees for all their hard work and achievements over the last year.

George Hepburn, Chair of trustees

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